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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Katsumi SUZUKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 1742

Serial No.: 10/009,309

Examiner: Deborah Yee

Filed: January 2, 2002

For: NON-AUSTEMPER TREATED SPHEROIDAL GRAPHITE CAST IRON

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified application. The shortened statutory period having expired November 4, 2003, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for one month. There is also attached our Check No. 17/50 in the amount of \$110.00 in payment for:

- _X_ Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$110.00) [\$55.00].
- Extension fee for response within second month pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$420.00) [\$210.00].
- Extension fee for response within third month pursuant to \$1.136(a) (\$950.00) [\$475.00].

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee (or credit any overpayment) associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 16-0331. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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